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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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DETAILED ACTION

This office action is in response to the amendment filed on March 16, 2010.

Claims 1-13 and 19 are pending in this application.

Withdrawn Rejections/Objections:

Applicant is notified that any outstanding rejection/objection that is not expressly maintained in this office action has been withdrawn or rendered moot in view of applicant's amendments and/or remarks.

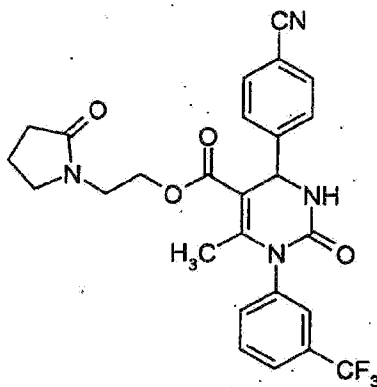
The following rejections are maintained:

1. Claims 1-13 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Gielen et al., WO 2004/024700 (International filing date: August 28, 2003). The instant claims read on reference disclosed compounds, see the structural formula (I) in page 3 and the corresponding compounds of the examples. The reasons from the previous office action are incorporated here by reference.

Applicant's arguments have been fully considered but they were not deemed to be persuasive. Applicant argues that 'Gielen'700 reference does not disclose or even suggest the presently claimed definition of R⁴'. This is not found to be persuasive because the reference teaches a generic group of compounds and further discloses compounds that fall within the instantly claimed genus of formula (I). See the structural formula (I) in page 3 and structural formula (IA) in page 16 of the reference and the corresponding species of the Examples. For

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example, see the compound of Example 30 (page 67) of the reference (structure depicted below for convenience):



The structural formula (I) of the instant claims represents the above compound when:

R¹ is H;

R² is CN;

A is phenyl;

R⁶ is H;

Y¹-Y⁵ are CH;

R³ is H;

R⁷ is CF₃;

R⁵ is methyl; and

R⁴ is C₂alkoxycarbonyl substituted by a 5-membered heterocyclyl wherein the 5-membered heterocyclyl is pyrrolidinyl, which pyrrolidinyl is further substituted by oxo.

As can be seen from the above, the reference discloses a compound that falls within the instantly claimed genus. Further, the reference compounds are taught to be useful as pharmaceutical therapeutic agents for the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases,

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etc., see the abstract. Therefore, contrary to applicant's arguments, the Gielen'700 reference discloses a compound that falls in the instantly claimed genus and suggests the structural analogs thereof. Accordingly, the rejection is maintained.

2. Claims 1-13 and 19 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over pending claims of each of copending Application No. 10/590,786 (now allowed).

3. Claims 1-13 and 19 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-23 of U.S. Patent No. 7,687,510 (issued from application S.No. 10/527,391).

The reasons from the previous office action are incorporated hereby reference. Applicant's argument that 'applicant will overcome this rejection or file a terminal disclaimer when the provisional rejection becomes an actual double patenting rejection' is acknowledged. The application S.No. 10/527,391 is currently U.S. Patent No. 7,687,510 (issued March 30, 2010).

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after

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the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Deepak Rao whose telephone number is (571) 272-0672. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James O. Wilson, can be reached at (571) 272-0661. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1600.

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